

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

IN RECOGNITION OF LINDA
SPEARS' 2007 DON CARLOS HU-
MANITARIAN AWARD

SPEECH OF

HON. HARRY E. MITCHELL

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 19, 2007

Mr. MITCHELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize long time Tempe resident, past councilwoman and friend, Linda Spears, who will be receiving the 2007 Don Carlos Humanitarian of the Year Award tonight in my hometown of Tempe, Arizona.

The Don Carlos Humanitarian Award honors a Tempe resident who upholds the humanitarian ideals of Charles Trumbull Hayden, Tempe's founder, who was referred to as "Don Carlos" by Hispanic pioneers due to his generosity and compassion for people in need. This prestigious recognition is awarded each year by the Tempe Community Council to pay tribute to Tempeans for their outstanding humanitarian service in the community over an extended period of time.

Linda served on the Tempe City Council from 1994 to 1998. Yet Linda's service to the community dates back to 1990, through a variety of human service efforts in the community. Linda continues her dedication to the community through her activities with the Boys and Girls Club, contributing her leadership and fundraising skills to help the needs of children served by their programs.

Madam Speaker, in addition to her service to the Boys and Girls Club, Linda served on the boards of the TIE Foundation from 1997 through 2003, the Tempe Salvation Army from 1999 through 2002, the Centers for Habilitation from 1996 through 2003 and Tempe Community Council from 1999 through 2007.

Linda is an active member of Kiwanis Club of Tempe, was elected its first female president in 1992 and helped to conceptualize Tempe's Fantasy of Lights Parade which now draws crowds of over 45,000 from the community. Linda is passionate when it comes to providing affordable housing in Tempe, a passion that led her to the boards of the Industrial Development Authority and Newtown Community Development Corporation. And if that is not enough, Linda's current endeavors includes raising money and awareness for the Tempe Community Foundation, which provides funding to meet the needs of all human service agencies serving Tempe residents.

Linda's activities should be viewed as those of a true community steward. Linda's commitment to our Tempe community truly embodies the spirit of Don Carlos and the humanitarian ideals that continue to make Tempe a great and desired place to call home. It is for these reasons that I join former Mayor Neil Guiliano, the Tempe Community Council, and Linda's family and friends in relaying a heartfelt "thank you" for your service and congratulate her on receiving this award.

CELEBRATING WARREN COUNTY,
TENNESSEE'S BICENTENNIAL

HON. LINCOLN DAVIS

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 25, 2007

Mr. LINCOLN DAVIS of Tennessee. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the founding of Warren County, Tennessee. Nestled in the heart of the foothills of the Cumberland Plateau, Warren County is a proud piece of the Tennessee tradition.

Warren County takes its name from Major General Joseph Warren, a hero of the American Revolution who earned the rank of Major General and was killed in the battle of Bunker Hill. The County continued to serve as a staging ground for great historical moments through the Civil War, when General Forrest's brigade camped in Warren County before they launched an attack on the Federal Army that resulted in the capture of twelve hundred Union Soldiers, including a General.

But Warren County has far more to offer the State than its rich history alone. From the scenic beauty of Rock Island to the Highland Rim Classic bicycle race in McMinnville, Warren County has something for sportsmen and outdoorsmen alike. McMinnville, Morrison, Viola and Dibrell all make up the diverse landscape. Perhaps the best view of Warren County, however, comes from the annual "boogie," or sky diving event that gives brave participants a unique perspective on this great Tennessee County.

Warren County is also home to the nursery capital of the world, McMinnville, Tennessee. McMinnville and all of Warren County's growers have made Tennessee proud for a number of years, marking McMinnville as a city known for being "always in bloom."

I am proud today to wish a happy bicentennial to the people of Warren County, and hope that they will continue to enjoy the blessings of their place in middle Tennessee for years to come.

IN HONOR OF THE MONTEREY
COUNTY FILM COMMISSION

HON. SAM FARR

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 25, 2007

Mr. FARR. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the Monterey County Film Commission's 20th year of "lights, camera, and economic action" for Monterey County. It was created in 1987 by the Monterey County Board of Supervisors to increase local economic development through the film industry.

The film commission markets Monterey County to bring an economic boost to the area from film, video, and multimedia production. Its mission has expanded over the years as it also provides local educational programs on

various aspects of the film industry's artistry, skills, and employment opportunities. It has also created a scholarship fund for students of filmmaking.

The film commission has helped attract and facilitate hundreds of movies, TV shows, commercials, documentaries, and still shoots, bringing in nearly \$60 million to date to the local communities. There is also spin-off tourism value when local sites are shown in these products.

The film commission acts as a liaison between film productions and local governments and communities. It serves as a resource for information and guidelines on film procedures and filming on public and private property. It provides services including a location library, scouting assistance, and logistical referrals for crew, facilities, and support services. It markets the county's locations through tradeshow and sales trips, advertising and public relations, and film industry events.

The commission is a member of the Greater San Francisco Film Commissions, California Film Commission, and is affiliated with the Association of Film Commissioners International.

Madam Speaker, it gives me great pleasure to honor this group, and I know my fellow Members join me in congratulating them on 20 years of service to the community.

RECOGNIZING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SEPTEMBER 25, 1957, DESEGREGATION OF LITTLE ROCK CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL BY THE LITTLE ROCK NINE

SPEECH OF

HON. NANCY E. BOYDA

OF KANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 24, 2007

Mrs. BOYDA of Kansas. Mr. Speaker, I commend the House of Representatives for the passage of this important resolution to honor the Little Rock Nine. As a Kansan, I am proud to be a resident of one of the places where the road to justice began.

For Kansans, the story of the Little Rock Nine begins with the landmark Supreme Court decision *Brown v. Board of Education*. This case began in 1950 when 13 parents took their children to the schools in their neighborhoods for white children and attempted to enroll. All were refused admission, and for most, this meant traveling across town to attend the few available schools for African Americans. These courageous parents filed suit against the Topeka Board of Education on behalf of their 20 children.

When the parents agreed to become involved in the case, it's likely they never imagined they would change history in such a significant and meaningful way. The people who make up this story were ordinary—their story is anything but. Oliver Brown, who the case was later named after, was a Topeka minister who simply knew that it was not too much to ask that his country treat his children equally.

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